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Washington D.C. 20231

#### Sir:

Transmitted herewith in the above-entitled patent application, please find an Amendment in response to the Office Action dated October 4, 2002.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-0789.

Sincerely,

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## **AMENDMENT**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated October 4, 2002 in the above-identified application. Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend page 2, line 6 as follows:

Accordingly, it is a principle object of the present invention to provide a device for controllably releasing substances into fluid environments.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 7 and 17 as follows:

- A system for controllably releasing substances into fluid environments, comprising:
  - a dispensing vessel; and a)